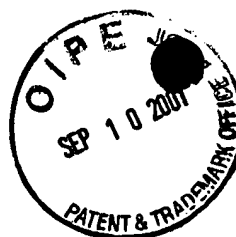


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Purificn. of acetic acid and acetic anhydride - by contact with ozone and
distn. of the prod. mixt. to remove methyl crotonate and vinyl acetate
impurities

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Purificn. of acetic acid and/or acetic anhydride contg. methyl
crotonate and/or vinyl acetate as impurities, comprises: a) contacting
the mixt. with O₃; and b) distn. of the prod..

Pref. the acetic acid and/or acetic anhydride is produced, using a
catalyst comprising an Rh component and a methyl halide, by reacting CO
with: (1) MeOH and/or methyl acetate, (2) MeOH and/or dimethyl ether.
The mixt. to be purified is fed to the middle or upper section of the
distn. column and a low-boiling impurity fraction is recovered from the
top of the column. The distn. column height is H_d, the feed height from
the base of the column is H_i and the height to the recovery pt. is H_r,
such that the ratios are H_i/H_d = 50-80% and H_r/H_d = 0-40%. The column
contains 20-80 trays and the low-boiling impurity fraction is partly
recovered from the top of the column, with the remaining overhead liq.
being returned as reflux; purified acetic acid and/or acetic anhydride
being recovered as vapour from the 1st-5th plate from the bottom; and a
high-boiling fraction impurity being recovered from the bottom of the
column.

USE/ADVANTAGE - The process can be used to purify the desired
prods. simultaneously or separately on a commercial scale. The
impurities which are difficult to remove by conventional techniques are
eliminated to give high quality prods. having excellent residence time
in the potassium permanganate ('chameleon') test. The process is
simple to perform is economical, safe and effective even for large
amts. of impurities.

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